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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: A. Fischer
KAZUNORI MASAKI)
: Group Art Unit: 3627
Application No.: 09/832,921)
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Filed: April 12, 2001)
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For: PROVIDING PAY)
SERVICES OVER A)
NETWORK) July 6, 2004

Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2004 for one month from June 25, 2004 to July 25, 2004. In this regard, it is noted that Applicant filed a response on April 21, 2004 (within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action dated March 8, 2004), but an Advisory Action was not mailed until June 25, 2004 (after the three-month shortened statutory period had expired on June 8, 2004). Moreover, the Examiner incorrectly checked box (a) under PERIOD FOR REPLY in the Advisory Action, whereas box (b) should have been checked so as to reset the date of expiration for responding to the Office Action to the date upon which the Advisory Action was mailed. Therefore, the

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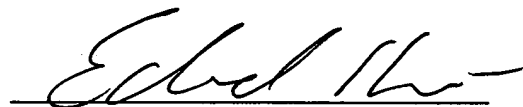
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period for determining any extensions of time that are due should be reset to the mailing date of the Advisory Action (June 25, 2004).

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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